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Press Release

HIALEAH FIRE FIGHTERS REACH OUT TO THE CITY'S YOUTH!

Hialeah, Florida – March 25, 2008, Hialeah Fire Fighters at Station One treated the students from South Hialeah Elementary to a day of fire safety and fun. An important field trip, its goal was designed to teach students the crucial steps needed in case they were stuck in a fire or if they found themselves in the dangerous scenario of having their clothes on fire. As part of the demonstration, Hialeah Fire Fighters dressed up in full gear and explained to the kids what they do when they face burning structures in addition to allowing the kids to step inside and explore the fire truck! Although it was a day of fun for the students from South Hialeah, the purpose of the field trip was much more than an exciting excursion. The Hialeah Fire Fighters are taking it upon themselves to teach kids fire safety and the proper use of the life saving 911 emergency number. The Hialeah Fire Department will be offering similar events once a month hosting various local schools.

Lieutenant Gerardo G. Caldas was present during the presentation as the kids interacted with Sparky, the fire truck mascot. The students were also taught how to use the water hose and were allowed to hold it. "It is important to take the time to teach kids how to properly handle an emergency because when properly prepared, can make life saving decisions," he said. Camila Gonzalez, one of the students present, was as excited and eager to be part of this special day. "I had lots of fun and was got my own firefighter helmet," she exclaimed. Everyday, Mayor Julio Robaina and the City of Hialeah strive to bring you events such as these to improve quality of life and enrich our children's lives.